## **AMENDMENT TO CLAIMS:**

- 1. (Canceled)
- 2. (Currently Amended) An organic electroluminescent display device in which a display region having an organic electroluminescent element is formed between a pair of substrates, wherein

said organic electroluminescent element comprises a first electrode, a second electrode, and an organic electroluminescent layer formed between said first and second electrodes, said organic electroluminescent layer emitting light when electric current flows between said first and second electrodes, and

a resin having a desiccant mixed therein is disposed between said pair of substrates The display device as defined in claim-1, wherein

said pair of substrates are adhered to one another by a sealing material disposed surrounding at least said display region, so as to seal said display region including said organic electroluminescent element.

- 3. (Original) The display device as defined in claim 2, wherein said resin having said desiccant mixed therein is used as said sealing material.
- 4. (Original) The display device as defined in claim 3, wherein said resin having said desiccant mixed therein is a resin cured by ultraviolet irradiation.
- 5. (Currently Amended) An organic electroluminescent display device in which a display region having an organic electroluminescent element is formed between a pair of substrates, wherein

said organic electroluminescent element comprises a first electrode, a second electrode, and an organic electroluminescent layer formed between said first and second electrodes, said organic electroluminescent layer emitting light when electric current flows between said first and second electrodes, and

a resin having a desiccant mixed therein is disposed between said pair of substrates The display device as defined in claim 1, wherein

said resin is disposed surrounding said display region.

6. (Previously Presented) The display device as defined in claim 5, wherein said display region having said organic electroluminescent is formed on a first substrate among said pair of substrates;

a second substrate among said pair of substrates is arranged facing the display region side of said first substrate and adhered to said first substrate;

a color component is provided in a gap between said second substrate and said display region; and

said second substrate is a transparent substrate which transmits at least visible light.

7. (Previously Presented) The display device as defined in claim 5, wherein said display region having said organic electroluminescent is formed on a first substrate among said pair of substrates;

a second substrate among said pair of substrates is arranged facing the display region side of said first substrate and adhered to said first substrate; and

a spacer composed of a desiccant is provided in a gap between said second substrate and said display region.

- 8. (Previously Presented) The display device as defined in claim 5, wherein said desiccant is mixed in said resin at a ratio of at least 10wt%, but no more than 50wt%.
- 9. (Previously Presented) A display device in which a display region having a selfemissive element is formed between a pair of substrates, wherein

a resin having a desiccant mixed therein is disposed between said pair of substrates, and

said resin having said desiccant mixed therein is located in a gap between said pair of substrates and covers at least said display region.

- 10. (Original) The display device as defined in claim 9, wherein said resin having said desiccant mixed therein is a resin cured by ultraviolet irradiation.
  - 11. (Original) The display device as defined in claim 9, wherein said resin having said desiccant mixed therein fills said gap between said pair of

substrates.

- 12. (Currently Amended) A display device <u>in which a display region having a self-</u>
  emissive element is formed between a pair of substrates as defined in claim 2, wherein
  a resin having a desiceant mixed therein is disposed between said pair of substrates,
  and said desiceant is a substance having a chemically adsorptive property.
- 13. (Previously Presented) A display device in which a display region having a selfemissive element is formed between a pair of substrates as defined in claim 9, wherein

a resin having a desiccant mixed therein is disposed between said pair of substrates, and

said desiccant is a powder having a particle diameter of 20 µm or less.

- 14. (Previously Presented) The display device as defined in claim 9, wherein said desiccant is mixed in said resin at a ratio of at least 10wt%, but no more than 50wt%.
- 15. (Original) A display device in which a display region having a self-emissive element is formed between a pair of substrates, wherein

said pair of substrates are adhered to one another by a sealing material disposed surrounding at least said display region, so as to seal said display region;

a groove is formed in at least one of said pair of substrates on a side facing the other substrate in a location where said sealing material is disposed; and

- a desiccant is filled in said groove.
- 16. (Original) The display device as defined in claim 15, wherein a resin having a desiccant mixed therein is used as said sealing material.
- 17. (Original) The display device as defined in claim 16, wherein said resin having said desiccant mixed therein is a resin cured by ultraviolet irradiation.
  - 18. (Original) The display device as defined in claim 15, wherein said self-emissive element is an electroluminescence element.
  - 19. (Original) The display device as defined in claim 18, wherein said display region having said self-emissive element is formed on a first substrate

among said pair of substrates; a second substrate among said pair of substrates is arranged facing the display region side of said first substrate and adhered to said first substrate;

a color component is provided in a gap between said second substrate and said display region; and

said second substrate is a transparent substrate which transmits at least visible light.

20. (Original) The display device as defined in claim 18, wherein said display region having said self-emissive element is formed on a first substrate among said pair of substrates;

a second substrate among said pair of substrates is arranged facing the display region side of said first substrate and adhered to said first substrate; and

a spacer composed of a desiccant is provided in a gap between said second substrate and said display region.

- 21. (Original) The display device as defined in claim 15, wherein said self-emissive element is an organic electroluminescence element containing an organic compound in an emissive element layer.
- 22. (Original) The display device as defined in claim 15, wherein said resin having said desiccant mixed therein is located in a gap between said pair of substrates and covers at least said display region.
- 23. (Original) The display device as defined in claim 22, wherein said resin having said desiccant mixed therein fills said gap between said pair of substrates.
  - 24. (Original) The display device as defined in claim 15, wherein said desiccant is a substance having a chemically adsorptive property.
- 25. (Original) The display device as defined in claim 15, wherein said desiccant is a powder having a particle diameter of 20  $\mu$ m or less.
- 26. (Original) The display device as defined in claim 15, wherein said desiccant is mixed in said resin at a ratio of at least 10wt%, but no more than 50wt%.
  - 27. (Canceled)

- 28. (Currently Amended) The electroluminescence display device as defined in claim 2710, wherein
  - a desiccant is mixed in said coating resin layer.
- 29. (Currently Amended) The electroluminescence display device as defined in claim 2710, wherein

said coating resin layer having said desiccant mixed therein covers said self-emissive element and fills a gap between said first and said second substrates.

30. (Currently Amended) The electroluminescence display device as defined in claim 2710, wherein

said self-emissive element is composed by laminating, in order from the first substrate side, said first electrode, said emissive element layer, and said second electrode; and

said coating resin layer covers said self-emissive element from the second substrate side.

- 31. (Currently Amended) The electroluminescence display device as defined in claim 2710, wherein
- a light-shielding layer for blocking ultraviolet rays is disposed between said emissive element layer and said coating resin layer.
  - 32. (Original) The electroluminescence display device as defined in claim 31, wherein said second electrode simultaneously serves as said light-shielding layer.
  - 33. (Original) The electroluminescence display device as defined in claim 32, wherein a desiccant is mixed in said coating resin layer.
  - 34. (Original) The electroluminescence display device as defined in claim 32, wherein said desiccant is a powder having a particle diameter of 20  $\mu$ m or less.
- 35. (Currently Amended) The electroluminescence display device as defined in claim 2710, wherein said desiccant is mixed in a resin constituting said coating resin layer at a ratio of at least 10wt%, but no more than 50wt%.
  - 36. (Canceled)

37. (Original) A light-emitting device in which an emissive region having a selfemissive element is formed between a pair of substrates, wherein

said pair of substrates are adhered to one another by a sealing material disposed surrounding at least said emissive region, so as to seal said emissive region;

a groove is formed in at least one of said pair of substrates on a side facing the other substrate in a location where said sealing material is disposed; and

a desiccant is filled in said groove.

38. (Previously Presented) A display device in which a display region having a selfemissive element is formed between a pair of substrates, wherein

said self-emissive element comprises a first electrode, a second electrode, and an emissive layer formed between said first and second electrodes, and

a resin having a desiccant mixed therein is disposed between said pair of substrates such that said resin surrounds said self-emissive element comprising said first electrode, said emissive layer, and said second electrode.

- 39. (Previously Presented) The display device as defined in claim 38, wherein said pair of substrates are adhered to one another by a sealing material disposed surrounding at least said display region, so as to seal said display region including said self-emissive element.
  - 40. (Previously Presented) The display device as defined in claim 39, wherein said resin having said desiccant mixed therein is used as said sealing material.
- 41. (Previously Presented) The display device as defined in claim 40, wherein said resin having said desiccant mixed therein is a resin cured by ultraviolet irradiation.
  - 42. (Previously Presented) The display device as defined in claim 38, wherein said self-emissive element is an electroluminescence element.

43. (Previously Presented) The display device as defined in claim 42, wherein said display region having said self-emissive element is formed on a first substrate among said pair of substrates;

a second substrate among said pair of substrates is arranged facing the display region side of said first substrate and adhered to said first substrate;

a color component is provided in a gap between said second substrate and said display region; and

said second substrate is a transparent substrate which transmits at least visible light.

44. (Previously Presented) The display device as defined in claim 42, wherein said display region having said self-emissive element is formed on a first substrate among said pair of substrates;

a second substrate among said pair of substrates is arranged facing the display region side of said first substrate and adhered to said first substrate; and

a spacer composed of a desiccant is provided in a gap between said second substrate and said display region.

- 45. (Previously Presented) The display device as defined in claim 38, wherein said self-emissive element is an organic electroluminescence element containing an organic compound in an emissive element layer.
- 46. (Previously Presented) The display device as defined in claim 38, wherein said desiccant is mixed in said resin at a ratio of at least 10wt%, but no more than 50wt%.
- 47. (New) The display device as defined in claim 5, wherein said resin having said desiccant mixed therein is a resin cured by ultraviolet irradiation.